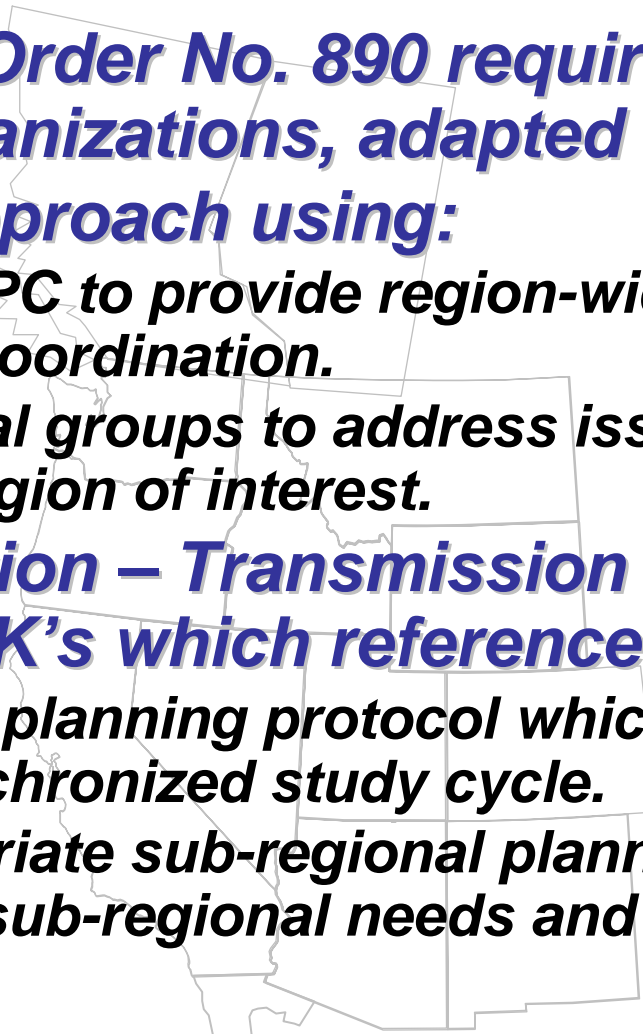


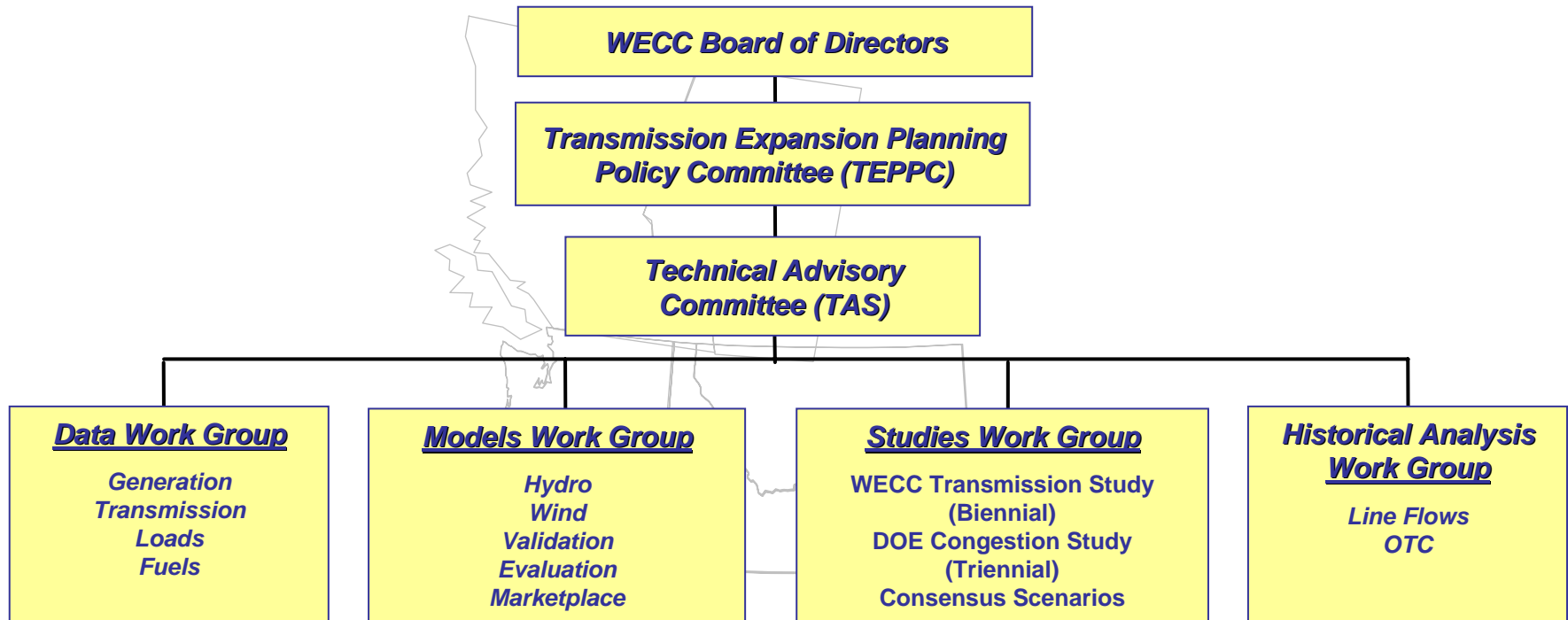


The Proposed Western Transmission Planning Process

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- ***Meet FERC Order No. 890 requirements using existing organizations, adapted as necessary.***
 - ***A layered approach using:***
 - ✓ ***WECC/TEPPC to provide region-wide data services and study coordination.***
 - ✓ ***Sub-regional groups to address issues applicable to their sub-region of interest.***
 - ***Implementation – Transmission Providers file Attachment K's which reference:***
 - ✓ ***The TEPPC planning protocol which provides for an annual synchronized study cycle.***
 - ✓ ***The appropriate sub-regional planning protocol that addresses sub-regional needs and interests.***

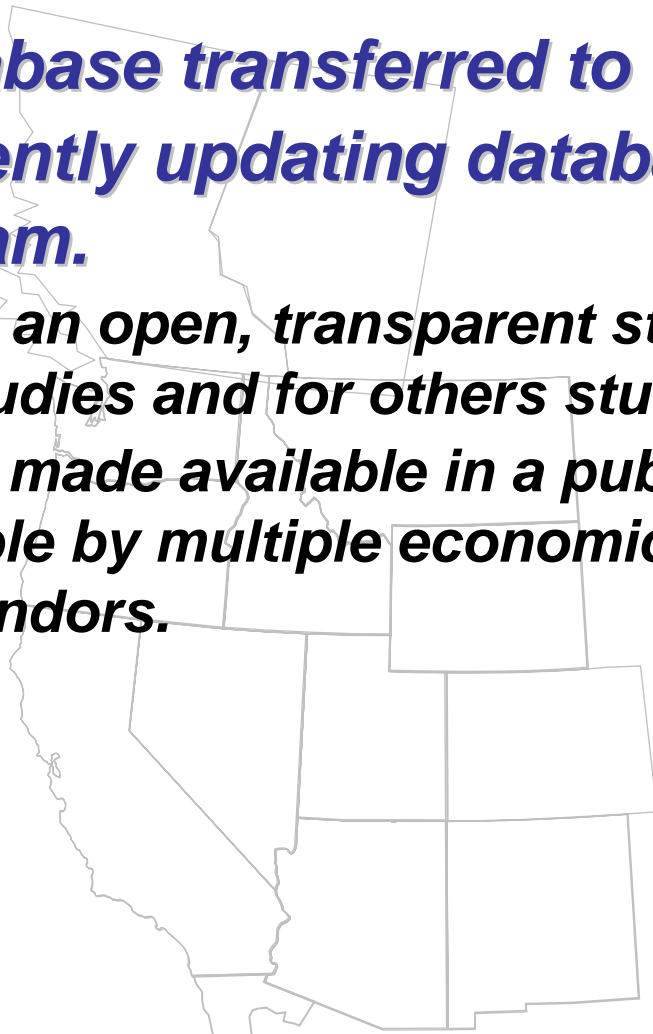
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- ***Overseeing development and management of a common data base for economic analysis of transmission planning.***
 - ***Providing policy guidance and management of the regional planning process across the region.***
 - ***Guiding analyses and modeling for Western Interconnection economic transmission expansion planning.***



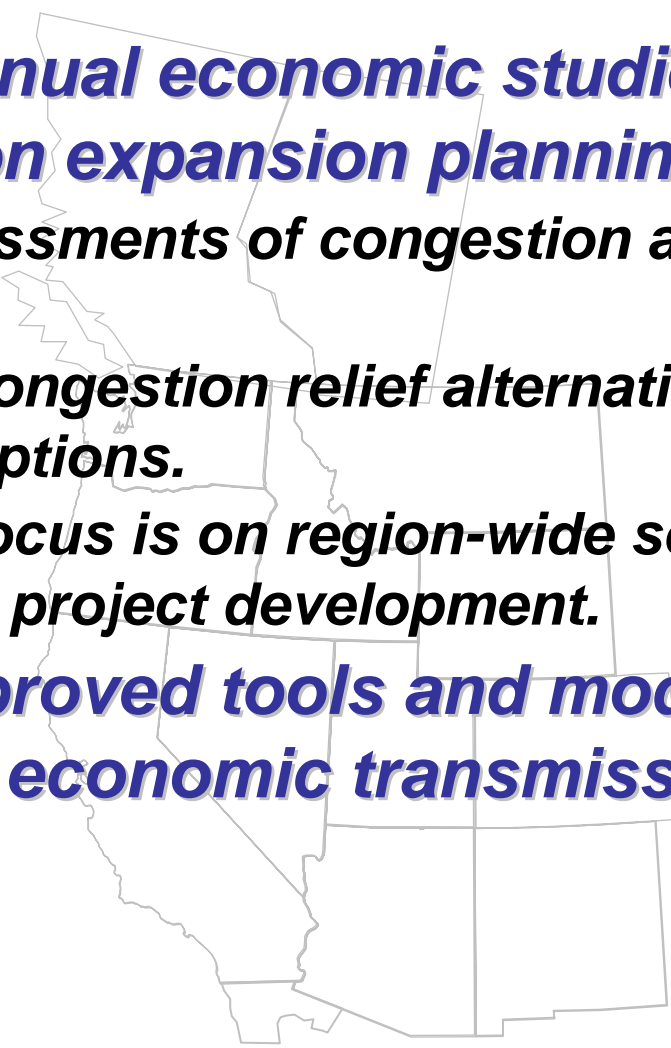
Notes:

1. TEPPC has a balanced governance whose members represent: the WECC Board, subregional planning groups, state regulators, state/provincial energy offices, transmission owners, load serving entities, generation owners, consumers advocates, IRP experts, wholesale market experts and environmental interests.
2. TAS and work group membership are open to any party wishing to participate.

- **SSG-WI database transferred to WECC/TEPPC.**
- **TEPPC currently updating database for 2007 study program.**
 - ✓ **Database is an open, transparent starting point of TEPPC's studies and for others studies as well.**
 - ✓ **Data will be made available in a public database format usable by multiple economic modeling software vendors.**

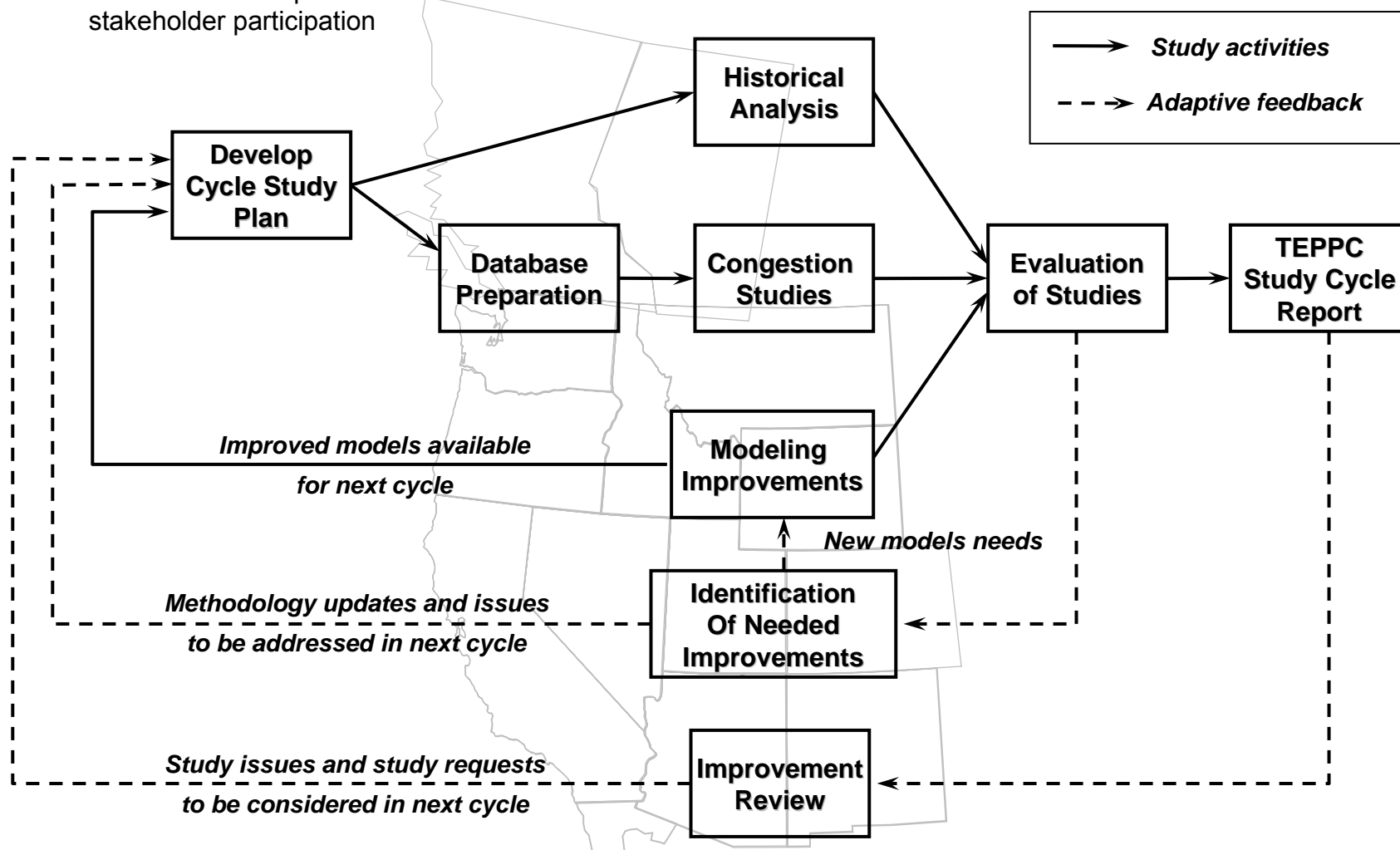


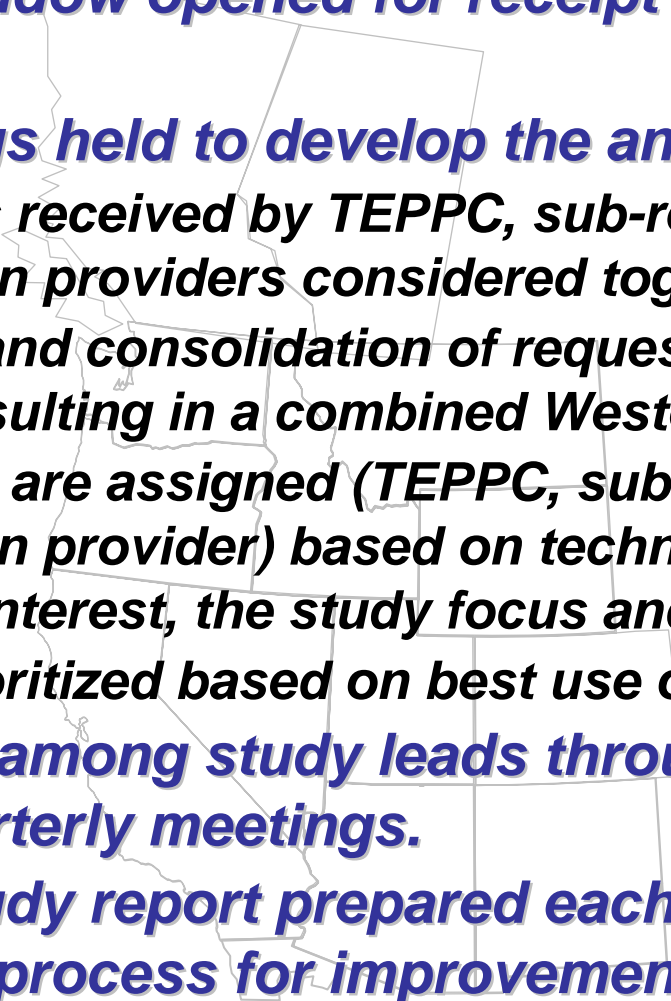
- ***TEPPC process is open to all stakeholders.***
 - ✓ ***Diversified committee membership with representatives of :***
 - The WECC Board and subregional planning groups.
 - State regulators and state/provincial energy offices.
 - Transmission owners and load serving entities.
 - Generation owners, IRP experts and wholesale market experts.
 - Consumers advocates and environmental interest.
 - ✓ ***Meetings are open to all interested parties***
- ***Technical Advisory Committee has open membership.***
- ***The TEPPC process is designed to be adaptive:***
 - ✓ ***An annual evolution of performance***
 - ✓ ***Useful and needed improvements to be made from year to year.***

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- **Conduct annual economic studies for transmission expansion planning:**
 - ✓ **Make assessments of congestion and congestion costs.**
 - ✓ **Evaluate congestion relief alternatives, both wire and non-wire options.**
 - ✓ **TEPPC's focus is on region-wide screening studies to encourage project development.**
 - **Provide improved tools and models for conducting economic transmission expansion studies.**

The Annual TEPPC Study Cycle — An Adaptive Process

Note: All activities are open with stakeholder participation



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- **An annual window opened for receipt of economic study requests.**
 - **Open meetings held to develop the annual study plan:**
 - ✓ **All requests received by TEPPC, sub-regional groups and transmission providers considered together.**
 - ✓ **Clustering and consolidation of requests made where possible resulting in a combined Western study plan.**
 - ✓ **Study leads are assigned (TEPPC, sub-regional groups, or transmission provider) based on technical expertise, breadth of interest, the study focus and stakeholder input.**
 - ✓ **Studies prioritized based on best use of available resources.**
 - **Coordination among study leads through TEPPC monthly calls and quarterly meetings.**
 - **Combined study report prepared each year, to include an evaluation of process for improvements in next cycle.**

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